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I am writing in regards to the Tunney Act public comment period on the proposed Microsoft antitrust settlement.

I think that the proposed settlement is a joke. It does nothing to punish Microsoft for it's past misdeeds. It does nothing to prevent or even discourage them from continuing their anti competitive behavior, and I cannot believe the DOJ even went along with it.

Suppose they were found guilty of robbing banks. Your "proposal" is that they promise not to rob banks anymore, and that three people watch them to make sure that they don't rob banks (leaving out S&L's and securities institutions) and if they are caught robbing banks in the next 5 years then by golly your gonna watch them another 2 years. What a joke.

I hope you reconsider and strengthen the provisions of the settlement proposal.

Sincerely,
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